

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

January 17, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Township of Ryerson was held January 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. This was a hybrid meeting combining in person, electronic meeting via Zoom and phone.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor George Sterling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance was announced, and it was noted that the meeting is being recorded.

Council in attendance: Mayor Sterling, Councillors: Abbott, Miller Patterson and Robertson.

Staff in attendance: Brayden Robinson, Nancy Field, and Kryssi Sinclair.

Public in attendance: Judy Ransome, Josh Lilley, John Finley and Nieves Guijarro.

Delegates in attendance: Diane Brandt.

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R- 1 - 23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that the minutes from the special meeting on December 19, 2022 and on December 20, 2022 and the regular meeting December 20, 2022 and the special meeting January 10, 2023 be adopted as circulated. (Carried)

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: None noted.

4. DELEGATIONS:

Diane Brandt provided Council with information regarding Burk's Falls and District Historical Society.

5. TENDERS/QUOTES/ REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP):

Council received two RFP's and the following resolutions were adopted.

R- 2-23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 1-23, being a By-law to appoint an Integrity Commissioner and further; That By-Law # 1-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

R- 3 -23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 2-23, being a By-law to appoint an Auditor and further; That By-Law # 2-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

6. REPORTS:

PUBLIC WORKS: Council received a December roads report from the Public Works Supervisor

TREASURER: Council was provided with tax by-laws and the following resolutions were adopted.

R-4-23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be given to introduce a Bill # 3-23, being a By-law to impose a penalty charge for non-payment of current taxes and further; That By-Law #3-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

R-5-23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 4-23, being a By-law to impose interest charges for non-payment of tax arrears and further; That By-Law #4-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

R-6-23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 5-23, being a By-law provide for an interim tax levy for 2023 and further; That By-Law # 5- 23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

DEPUTY-CLERK:

Council discussed a succession plan and the following resolutions were adopted.

R-7-23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 6-23, being a By-law to appoint a CAO/Treasurer and further; That By-Law # 6-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

R- 8 - 23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 7-23, being a By-law to appoint a Clerk/Deputy Treasurer and further; That By-Law # 7-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

CLERK: Council was provided with a proposed meeting schedule for 2023 and the following resolution was adopted.

R- 9-23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council adopt the 2023 Regular Meeting Schedule for 2023, as attached. (Carried)

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Council received the January report from the Fire Chief.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEES/BOARDS:

7.1

R-10-23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Patterson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council does hereby approve the proposed 2023 budget for Almaguin Community Economic Development (ACED) and that Ryerson Township's share of \$16,264.77 be included in the 2023 municipal budget. (Carried)

7.2 Council received the December Statistics from the Joint Building Committee.

7.3 Mayor Sterling provided Council with an Eastholme report.

7.4 Council received information regarding a Library Volunteer application. The following resolution was adopted.

R-11-23 Moved by Councillor Patterson, Seconded by Councillor Robertson,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council appoint Ruth Renwick as a Ryerson Township Community Volunteer Representative on the Burk's Falls, Armour, Ryerson Union Public Library Board. (Carried)

7.5 Councillor Patterson provided council with a MAHC and AHHC report.

7.6 Council received information regarding the upcoming FONOM Conference and the following resolution was adopted.

R-12-23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council authorize Councillors Miller, Patterson, Robertson, and Abbott to attend the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) Conference in Parry Sound May 8-10, 2023. (Carried)

8. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTIVITY LOG:

8.1 Council received a DSSAB update, and the following resolution was adopted.

R-13-23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council appoint Jerry Brandt in addition to Delynne Patterson to the District of Parry Sound Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB) Area 4 comprised of Burks Falls, Armour, Ryerson, Kearney, Perry, McMurrich/Monteith. (Carried)

8.2 Council had a request from Councillor Miller to attend a Cattleman's Meeting and the following resolution was adopted.

R-14-23 Moved by Councillor Robertson, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that Ryerson Township Council accept that Glenn Miller may attend the Cattleman's Association meeting at the Friendship Club in Magnetawan on Saturday 21st, 2023. (Carried)

9. NOTICE OF MOTION: None noted.

10. COMMUNICATION ITEMS

10.1 Council received information about the Muskoka Algonquin Health Care Open House and information regarding the Community's share of redevelopment.

10.2 Council was provided with the waste management report for January.

General Information Items Received:

-Council received information from Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs regarding Ministry initiatives.

-Council received the Resolution from Township of Strong and the Village of Sundridge supporting the Almaguin Highlands Health Council HR Recruiter Initiative.

-Council received a rezoning notice from Armour Township.

11. CONFIRMING BY-LAW

R- 15 -23 Moved by Councillor Abbott, Seconded by Councillor Miller,

Be it resolved that leave be given to introduce a Bill # 8-23, being a By-law to confirm the meetings of Council and further; That By-Law # 8-23 be read a First, Second, and Third time, Signed and the Seal of the Corporation affixed thereto and finally passed in Council this 17th day of January 2023. (Carried)

12. ADJOURNMENT:

R- 16 -23 Moved by Councillor Miller, Seconded by Councillor Abbott,

Be it resolved that we do now adjourn at 7:33p.m. The next regular meeting February 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. (Carried)

Original Signed by George Sterling
MAYOR

Original Signed by Nancy Field
CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK